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I want to register my dismay at the lack of backbone that the justice department is showing (again) in this case. I am a computer professional that remembers the last antitrust settlement (or should i say lack of settlement) the previous time the justice department to microsoft to task. My, my, how that really helped stem the microsoft criminals!

Now once again, the justice department is going to roll over. Is it because the party was found innocent? no, it is because of politics (Ashcroft is a lackey for big business). Using the state of the economy as a reason to give microsoft a slap on the wrist is wrong, wrong, wrong. this is really short term thinking. Think in the long term! But hey, a shot in the arm for the economy would bolster Mr Bush, Mr. Ashcroft and the republican party.

What should be Microsoft's punishment? why let's subsidize their push into one of the markets they do not dominate! As for the people who came up with that solution, well, Idiot school never graduated a better class!

So much for my government working for me.

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